NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF ROADS NOTICE OF HIGHWAY PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING

Tues., Nov. 5, 2013; 4:00 – 6:00 PM

*Information Open House Public Meeting*Greeley County Courthouse, 101 S. Kildare St., Greeley, NE

NH-281-3(110) GREELEY SOUTH; C.N. 41954

The Nebraska Department of Roads (NDOR) will hold a public information open house regarding the rehabilitation of U.S. Highway 281 (US-281), in southern Greeley County. The meeting will be held at the Greeley County Courthouse, 101 S. Kildare St., in Greeley, Tuesday, Nov. 5, 2013, 4:00-6:00 P.M.

Identified as *Greeley South*; the proposed project would begin on US-281 just south of the Howard County line near the south junction with Nebraska Highway 22 (N-22), about 2.25 miles west of the Village of Wolbach, and proceed northwest 7.94 miles to the north junction with N-22, 4.5 miles south of Greeley. The existing asphalt is at the end of its anticipated service life.

The project would include milling (a process of grinding off the surface of the roadway) and overlaying the existing highway with a new roadway surface. Improvements to the shoulders would include two-foot of surfacing and four-foot of turf, extending culverts and upgrading the guardrail. Upon completion, the roadway surfacing would be 28-foot wide including the surfaced portions of the shoulders. Improvements would also include replacing an existing box culvert at the "Six Points" intersection of US-281 with County Roads 498 and Brayton Road, to prevent the highway from overtopping with water in extreme storm events.

The proposed project would require the purchase of some permanent property right acquisitions for right-of-way along the entire length of the project. Permanent wetland impacts associated with the project are anticipated. Mitigation would occur on the project or at a regional wetlands bank.

Construction could begin as early as spring of 2015 and be complete as early as fall of the following year. The proposed construction would be completed "under traffic" meaning without detouring US-281

traffic; however, one-lane signalized construction zones may cause delays. Temporary widening and surfacing of the shoulder would be required to accommodate traffic at the location of the culvert replacement. Local access would be maintained during construction.

The public meeting is being held to provide information regarding the project, currently in the design phase, and receive input. All interested persons are invited to attend and present relevant comments and questions. Design information will be displayed and personnel from NDOR will be present to answer questions and receive comments. The information "open house" format allows the public to come at any time during the advertised hours, gather pertinent information about the project, speak one-on-one with project personnel, and leave as they wish.

NDOR will make every reasonable accommodation to provide an accessible meeting facility for all persons. Appropriate provisions for the hearing and visually challenged or persons with Limited English Proficiency (LEP) will be made if the Department is notified by Oct. 25, 2013. Notification should be submitted to: Greg Weinert, Public Hearings Officer, Nebraska Department of Roads, P.O. Box 94759, Lincoln, NE 68509-4759; greg.weinert@nebraska.gov; voice telephone (402) 479-4871, TDD telephone (402) 479-3834, Fax (402) 479-3989.

Information regarding the proposed project will be available after the meeting on the NDOR website at <a href="www.transportation.nebraska.gov/projects/"www.transportation.nebraska.gov/projects/"www.transportation.nebraska.gov/projects/"by clicking on the "Greeley South" link. For further information, contact Wes Wahlgren, NDOR District Four Engineer, (308) 385-6265, wes.wahlgren@nebraska.gov.

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